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SUBJECT: SITE OF UN CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
FOR DEVELOPMENT (UNCSTD)

1. ON DECEMBER 15 UNGA PLENARY TOOK DECISION ON SITE FOR
UNCSTD. ALTHOUGH QUESTION WAS CONSIDERED ON BASIS OF THREE
DRAFT RESOLUTION OFFERING SITES FOR CONFERENCE (AUSTRIA,
"DEVELOPING COUNTRY," UNITED STATES) VOTE WAS ON THREE
SITES ALONE. AT REQUEST OF AUSTRIA, WITH NO OBJECTIONS, VOTE
AAS TAKEN BY SECRET BALLOT. (HAD THERE BEEN AN OBJECTION
PLENARY WOULD HAVE VOTED ON QUESTION; A LAST-MINUTE CHANGE IN
INSTRUCTIONS PERMITTED MEXICANS TO ACCEDE TO REQUEST).

2. IN FIRST BALLOT, RESULTS WERE: AUSTRIA, 52; MEXICO, 46;
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UNITED STATES , 38. IN SECOND BALLOT, BETWEEN TWO HIGHEST CON-
TENDERS, RESULTS WERE: AUSTRIA, 83, MEXICO 52. VIENNA WILL
BE THE SITE OF THE CONFERENCE.

3. DECISION ON SITE LEFT "OTHER QUESTIONS" IN RESOLUTIONS
TO BE DECIDED. IN EFFECT, ONLY SUBSTANTIVE PROPOSALS REGARDING
PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCE HAD BEEN INCLUDED IN MEXICAN DRAFT.

AUSTRIANS, IN CONSULTATION WITH US DELEGATION AND MEXICANS, INCORPORATED THESE INTO NEW DRAFT THEY SUBMITTED, REFLECTING

CHOICE OF VIENNA SITE AND ADDING PROVISIONS FOR INVITATION TO DIRECTLY CONCERNED NGO'S. TEXT IS TRANSMITTED BELOW.

4. DRAFT WAS APPROVED BY CONSENSUS OF PLENARY MEETING OF DECEMBER 79. AFTER PASSAGE, US DELEGATE (AMBASSADOR WELLS) MADE BRIEF REMARKS CONGRATULATING AUSTRIANS KAND RENEWING USG PLEDGE TO WORK HARD TO ENGAGE US SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY IN OUR NATIONAL CONFERENCE PREPARATIONS SO AS TO ENABLE US TO MAKE THE BEST CONTRIBUTION PASSIBLE TO THE CONFERENCE. (TEXT POUCHED AMBASSADOR AILKOWSKI, DEPARTMENT OF STATE).

5. COMMENT: IN DISCUSSIONS WITH AUSTRIANS AND MEXICANS AFTER DECISION, THE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS WERE MADE. AUSTRIANS ATTRIBUTED THEIR SUCCESS TO INTENSIVE BILATERAL EFFORTS AT UN AND IN CAPITALS. MEXICANS ADMITTED THAT THEY CONSIDERED THEIR CANDIDACY ALL BY LOST AFTER GA77 REFUSED TO ENDORSE IT; ACTION IN SECOND COMMITTEE WAS A LAST-DITCH EFFORT TO BRING ABOUT ONLY OTHER POSSIBILITY OF SUCCESS-AN OPEN BALLOT

IN WHICH, THEY BELIEVED, MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WOULD FEEL OBLIGED TO SUPPORT THEM. AFTER VOTE TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TRANSFER TO PLENARY WITH CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD PURPOSE OF

SECURING SECRET BALLOT, THEY CONSIDERED THEIR CANDIDACY HAD NO CHANCE OF SUCCESS. AS TO RELATIONS WITH MISSIONS OF OTHER CANDIDATES, MISSION CONSIDERS THEY WERE ENHANCED BY CLOSE AND FRANK CONTACT THROUGHOUT PERIOD LEADING UP TO VOTE.

QUOTE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, RECALLING ITS RESOLUTIONS 3201(S-VI) AND 3202(S-VI) OF 1 MAY 1974, CONTAINING THE DECLARATION AND THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, 3281 (XXIX) OF 12 DECEMBER 1974, CONTAINING THE CHAPTER

OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES, AND 3302 (S-VII) OF 16 SEPTEMBER 1975 ON DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC

CO-OPERATION,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 31/184 OF 21 DECEMBER 1976 IN WHICH IT DECIDED TO CONVENE THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT DURING 1979 AND TO TAKE A FINAL DECISION ON THE QUESTION OF THE SITE OF THE

CONFERENCE AT ITS THIRTY-SECOND SESSION,

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RECALLING ALSO ITS RESOLUTION 32/115 OF 15 DECEMBER 1977,

TAKING NOTE OF THE OFFER MADE BY THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRIA TO
ACT AS HOST TO THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT,

1. DECIDES THAT THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT SHALL BE HELD AT VIENNA FOR TWO WEEKS IN 1979 AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME;
 2. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO INVITE;
 - (A) ALL STATES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONFERENCE;
 - (B) REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE A STANDING INVITATION FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SESSIONS AND THE WORK OF ALL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES CONVENED UNDER ITS AUSPICES TO PARTICIPATE AS OBSERVERS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS 3237 (XXIX) OF 22 NOVEMBER 1974 AND
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31/152 OF 20 DECEMBER 1976;

(C) REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS
RECOGNIZED IN ITS REGION BY THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY
TO PARTICIPATE AS OBSERVERS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION
3280 (XXIX) OF 10 DECEMBER 1974;

(D) THE UNITED NATIONS COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA TO PARTICIPATE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 3 OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 32/9 E OF
4 NOVEMBER 1977;

(E) THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL
ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY, AS WELL AS INTERESTED ORGANS
OF THE UNITED NATIONS, TO BE REPRESENTED AT THE
CONFERENCE;

(F) INTERESTED INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS TO BE REP-
RESENTED BY OBSERVERS;

(G) DIRECTLY CONCERNED NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS
IN CONSULTATIVE STATUS WITH THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL;

3. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO ENSURE THAT THE NECESSARY
ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE FOR THE EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFEREN
CE

OF THE REPRESENTATIVES REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 2 (B) AND (C)
ABOVE, INCLUDING THE REQUISITE FINANCIAL PROVISIONS FOR
THE TRAVEL EXPENSES AND PER DIEM;

4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO MAKE THE NECESSARY
ARRANGEMENTS TO CO-OPERATE WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRIA WITH
A VIEW TO HOLDING THE CONFERENCE, TO SUBMIT TO THE CONFERENCE
ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION AND TO ARRANGE FOR THE
NECESSARY STAFF, FACILITIES AND SERVICES THAT IT WILL
REQUIRE, INCLUDING THE PROVISION OF SUMMARY RECORDS;

5. DECIDES THAT THE LANGUAGES OF THE CONFERENCE SHALL
BE THOSE USED IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND ITS MAIN COMMITTEES.

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